WHAT IS THEIR BUSINESS!

They Are Said to Be Looking for Either the Strongest Presidential Candidate or the Biggest Bar'l-Personal Notes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12,-(Spe-Virginia Republican delegations political visits to Washington for osuliation with the managers of the s booms which are now in full ing in this city. They rarely go away sithout paying their respects to the atives of more than one of the atial aspirants, and frequently see all of them. These visitors are stituted Virginia Republican who are casting about either to strongest candidate or the man pay most for delegates to St. That is really the object of these dataries from the Old Dooir plan is to appear perpendent and unpledged, so as en to the highest bidder.

airmity given out to the presim managers that the centihe State is strongly against ledges of any sort, so as to be row the support of the delega-Louis to the most available Lamb, who, whatever the facts to believed here to be a strong the Allan-Waddill faction are dvocates of McKinley, and that he rock upon which the party is mally split throughout the State. REPUBLICAN DISRUPTION.

The factional fight in Richmond over the chairmanship of the city committee a nothing more than the fore-runner of e coming general engagement in the nate over delegates to St. Louis. One the recent visitors here said that the would be thoroughly organized by ime the State convention meets, and would be in excellent fighting trim by the November election. This man can be afely classed as a follower of Colonel amb, who, no doubt, will do all in a power to unite and harmonize the

ry much disrupted condition of affairs ong the Republicans in Virginia, and me people, who are informed, go so as a say that the delegation to St. will probably be not only not un-d, but very much pledged and d. It is asserted even now that are being made with the Allinot Cullom managers, as well as of Reed and McKinley. The trouble seems to be that no one seems used to make propositions for dein the future, and the en-ing delegations in search of in-tended and options go away with of the former, which is unsatis-and an absolute lack of the lat-

Elighth District there will be second, and Lady McCann third. Time, 1:16.

Sixth race—six furlergs, selling—Bart Goz, Burns, 20 to D won, with Minnie W. Second, and Lady McCann third. Time, 1:16. the Eighth District there will be en Park Agnew and Pat. McCaull, h the chances entirely in favor of latter, who is entitled to recognition reason of having borne the brust of

VIRGINIA BILLS.

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Representative Otey to-day introduced a bill for the relief of the treasurer of the Free and Accepted Order of Masons in the town of Keysville, county of Charlette, and State of Virginia.

Mr. Meredith, of the Eighth District, to-day introduced a bill granting a pension to James D. Campbell, a soldier of the Evolutionary war, which was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The claim of the Richmond Locomotive-Works, for \$80,000, due by the government.

h Carolina as follows: bdam to Holloways Crossing (n. o).

and back, six times a week, by the of not to exceed one half ning-time each way; from July to June 30, 1900.

at-Arms Frank Watkins, of a State Senate, was in the as to the House being called to be D. L. Russell, of Wilmington, N.

edicted that if the Popt leans fuse Russell will that is seriously doubted rats, who insist that the me back into the Demoof that the Democrats will

an arowed McKinley man, cht Rev. A. A. Watson and wife,

on, N. C., are in the city, the St. James Hotel. Entrett (formerly Miss Janie Smith) is at home, in Danville ist to her grandmother, Mrs.

J. E. Cox. of High Point, N. C. the city yesterday, stopping at Smith, Jr., of the University inla, is in the city, registered at

AT THE HOTELS.

Howard House-A. Blakemore, Virginia; Virginia; H. Humphreys, Vir e Clark, Virginia; C. Lewis, Vir-H Flatford, Virginia; J. Menifee States Hotel-J. Denton, Vir-

Owen House-H. Warren, Richmond, Matropolitan-William E. Christian, Ra-N. C.; C. A. Cochran, Alleghany

15 Hotel-H. Dellhamer and wife James-D. Paul, Woodstock, Va.; T.

Virginia; J. J. Cutler and wife, B. Everett, and Miss R. Stern,

Raleigh-F. W. Smith, Virginia; J. cell. Virginia. cciord-H. H. Knox, University of

illiard's—D, McNamar, Virginia.

Sera J, T. Anderson and William

For of Richmond are in the city, reged at the Raleigh.

George B. Bull. of Richmond, who

been on a successful business trip

altimore, and has been arranging for

establishment of a branch house in

city returned home this. scitablishment of a branch house in scity, returned home this evening. Marriage Beenses have been issued to secer B. Castor, of Lancaster county, and Jennet C. Campbell, of this city; life C. White and Annie G. Coe, both Eichmond, Va. and John T. Ligan and attis Donovan, both of Richmond, Va. Mr. E. C. Crump, formerly of the Discher and the beat page 11, 12 in purpose.

patch, who has been quite iii, is improv-Mr. Isaac Haas, another Dispatch man, has been promoted to be foreman of the

Interior Department of the Government

Printing-Office.
Senator Daniel to-day presented a memorial from the Norfok Chamber of Commerce protesting against any change of the laws affecting the present system of pilotage; also, one from the trustees of Randolph-Macon College, asking for the appointment of a commission of arbitrament between the United States and Great Britain on a l matters of dispute. Senator Martin visited the War Department to-day to urge immediate action by

ment to-day to urge immediate action by the secretary on the joint resolution for the special improvement of Norfolk har-bor and Elizabeth river, which was referred to him last Friday.

New Deputy Comptroller.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—
George M. Coffin, of Charleston, S. C.,
to-day entered upon the duties of Deputy
Comptroller of the Currency, to which
position he has been appointed by Secretary Carlisle, upon the recommendation of Comptroller Eckels. He was
enpointed Chief of the Division of Issues
in 1881, upon the request of Comptroller
Trenholm, who transferred him in 1885
to the head of the Division of Reports,

to the head of the Division of Reports, including examiners reports, in which position he has been retained continuously since by Comptrollers Lacy, Hep-

Gold Reserve, \$126,054,835.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.— The Treasury gold reserve at the close of business to-day stood at \$125,654.855. The withdrawals for the day were \$162,-INTERNATIONAL HURDLE RACE.

It Is Won by Rothschild's Bevil-Banquet II., Second.

LONDON, March 12.-The international hurdle-race (handleap) for 600 sovereigns was run at Gatwick to-day, and won by Leopold de Rothschild's b. c. Bevil, E This is said to be the policy | years old, by Sir Bevys, out of Sister Louise. Captain Aiken's b. g. Eanquet II., formerly owned by M. F. Dwyer, was second, and Mr. J. Tair, Jr.'s, ch. c. Sepoy third. The distance was two and a quarter miles, over nine flights of hurdies. Ten horses ran.

CRESCENT CITY EVENTS.

NEW ORLEANS, March 12—Perfect
weather, a large attendance, and a fast
track ruled here to-day. The sport was
of first-class order, with the Crescent
Handicap, for \$1,990, added as the feature
event. Emin Rey, 119 pounds, at 10 to 1
in the betting, won cleverly from the
odds-on favorite. Maurice, but the latter's chances were killed by Nicolini's
swerving against bim at the turn for
home, losing Maurice several lengths.
The other races, in which only two favorites proved successful, do not call for
special comment. CRESCENT CITY EVENTS. special comment.

First race—mile and seventy yards—Jim Hogg (196, Hart, 5 to 1) won, with King

Elm second, and Ixion third. Second race-six furlongs,

Tramp (108, Comer, 11 to 5) won, with Helen Wrenn second, and Feedman third.

Heich Wrein second, and recoman third.

Time, 1:37.

Third race—seven furlongs—The Panker (12 to 1) won, with Sky-Blue second, and Hanckel third. Time, 1:30.

Fourth race—mile and a furlong—Emin Hey (19, Clayton, 10 to 1) won, with Maurice (120, Thorp, 9 to 10) second, and Nicolini (12 to 1) third. Time, 1:35 1-2.

Fifth race—mile and seventy yards, selling—Alto June (101, Thorp, even) wen, with Waterman second, and Jim Henry third. Time, 1:39.

Sixth race—six furlerss, selling—Bart (32, Burns, 20, to 1, wen, with Minnie W.

The Ohio Platform Adopted Wednesday Was Written by Him-Favors "Bimetallism," with "Gold, Silver, and Paper Money of Equal Value."

(From New York World, heading and all.) "We contend for honest money, for a currency of gold, silver, and paper, with which to measure our exchange that shall be as sound as the government, and as untarnished as its honor, and to that end we favor bimetallism and demand the use of both gold and silver as standard money, either in accordance with a ratio to be fixed by an international agree the Committee on Pensions.
The claim of the Richmond Locomotive, the claim of the Senatal and congressional agree and will now probably be placed the may also appropriation bill, instead the general deficiency bill, as formerly probably the general deficiency bill, as formerly missaled. This would insure its paynamed a much earlier date.

The Convention of the parties to be determined by the parties of the parties of the maintenance of the parties of the two metals, so that the purchasing and debt-paying power of the dollar, whether of silver, gold, or paper, which is a maintenance of the parties of the two metals, so that the purchasing and debt-paying power of the dollar, whether of silver, gold, or paper, and the purchasing and debt-paying power of the purchasing and

Action in Favor of Admission of Women to Conference.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., March 12.-The Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal Confer ence to-day rejected the resolution submitted to all conferences by the last depend to all conferences by the last General Conference (in 1852), permitting the admission of males only to the gene-ral conference as lay delegates. The vote was three in favor of the resolution, and eighty-six against it, while III mem-bers were recorded as "declining to vote."

The conference thus virtually saydions The conference thus virtually sanctions by the last general conference, and also submitted to the different annual con-ferences, providing for the admission of men and women as lay delegates to the general body. It is expected that this will meet with affirmative action.

SCUTHERN RAILWAY SECURITIES. Decline Therein Due to Sales by

Syndicate Members. NEW YORK, March 12-The recent decline in Southern rallway stocks and bonds is understood to have been due to sales by members of the syndicate formed to underwrite the Richmond reorganization plan. A few days ago a call was zation plan. A lew days ago a chil was made upon syndicate members for the remainder of their subscriptions due, amounting to 50 per cent. In anticipation of the distribution of the Southern rail-way securities, which was made yester-day on the closing up of the syndi-cate, some of the members sold the bonds and stocks they were alleady carrying. and stocks they were already carrying.

the hotel arrivals to-day were FAILURE OF CLOTHING COMPANIES.

It Is Due to the Assignment of

Rothschild, Baum & Stern. COLUMBUS, O. March 12—As a result of the failure of the clothing firm of Rothschild, Haum & Stern, in Rochester, N. Y., yesterday, the Union Ciothing Company, Solomon M. Levy, proprietor, made an assignment to-day to James M. Butler. The assets are valued at \$100,000.

Minnesota Editor Mobbed. MIRCHELL, S. D., March 12.—Encouraged by the action of the late Mitchell mob. the citizens of Lu Verne, Minn., have taken the law into their own hands and dealt summarily with Editor F. N. Bailey, who, it is ciaimed, has been blackmailing prominent citizens of that place. He was seized by small bearing and likeked into the mob, and beaten and kicked into insensibility, and then dragged through the streets. He was finally rescued by an officer, who was also roughly handled,

The Dry-Goods Market.

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NEW YORK, March 12.—In the drygoods market to-day the temperature was
still too low for any spirited business in
spring lines, either with retailers or jobbers, although the latter have reported
a fair day's business.

The primary market continues dull in
tone, and, whilst prices are without
quotable change in any direction, the
market is still an easy one to do business in.

There is no doubting the efficacy of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. It cures every

CAUGHT AT RALEIGH.

SAY THEY HAVE THE RUSSELL MEN WHIPPED.

Bluebirds Appear Again-Richmond Pearson on Ben Tillman-Reward offered - Mrs. Arrington After

Whitaker Once More.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 12.-(Spe cial.)-The cotton-mill to be built at Gastonia is to be 309x77 feet, and two stories high. One million bricks will be used in its construction. A great deal of new machinery is being placed in the Erwin cotton-mill, at Durham, which is one of the largest mills in the State. One of the best-paying mills in North Carolina is the Henrietta.

The Dockery men are openly saying that they have Russell whipped now in the Republican fight for the gubernatorial nomination. They declare that there is not a word of truth in the statement that the Populists are to name the man; that the Republicans will not entertain such an idea for an instant. The Populists, it is said, know this, and are only making the demand for purposes of a bluff, in order to get as many oncessions as they can from the Repub-

BLUEBIRDS APPEAR. Last year there were no bluebirds, and the farmers greatly missed these little harbingers of spring. To their delight, the bluebirds have reappeared. The humber of students at Davidson

College is now 175, and at Wake Forest The people in this section are again the blizzard. Last fortunate in missing the blizzard. Last night was blustery, and to-day the weath-er is cold but bright. Very little rain

Labor-Commissioner B. R. Lacy will send to any one who makes request by mail a copy of his interesting report for

PEARSON AND TILLMAN. an address to the Republicans of Ninth District Congressman Richand fuse with the Populists, and to be sure to be extremely liberal to the latter in counties in which the Republicans must have Populist aid to beat the Democrats. Pearson says Ben, man is the real head of the new party, and speaks of him in harsh t Judge Ewart deliberately says that h intends to take the stump for Senator Pritchard when the time comes. The last judge to make a regular campaign was Sam Watts, in 1874.

There is a considerable increase in the number of cases of grippe. The close season for partridges and most other birds begins March 15th. The slaughter here has been great, and the birds are thinned out. The State University base-ball team

made dates for games with Yale and Princeton Governor Carr offers a reward of \$150 for the capture of Robert Whitaker, of Halifax county. who murdered J.

Halifax county, who murdered J. W. Harrall, and who fied from the State.

Mrs. Arrington succeeded to-day in getting a warrant for ex-Judge Spier Whitaker, charging him with perjury. The hearing was held this afternoon. The charge was preved unfounded, and the case was dismissed.

WINSLOW AGAINST COY, CARR.

Argument in Case Arising from Revocation of Commission.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 12.-In the Supreme Court here to-day argument was begun in the case of Francis Winslow against Governor Carr. Winslow is a retired navai officer, who commanded the North Carolina naval reserves, and whose commission was revoked by the Governor "for the good of the service." Winslaw applied for a permanent injunction to restrain the efficer next in command from promulgating the order removing him. The judge a few days ago declined to grant such injunction, and Winslow appealed. George Rountree, his counsel, argued to-day that the Governor has not the power to revoke a commission, save in time of war, unless upon the disbandment of the organization, or upon the finding of a court-martial or a court of inquiry. Counsel for the State will argue that there is no precedent in the books for such action as this; that the Governor has power to revoke the commission, as the naval reserves constituting part of the State tired pavai officer, who commanded the constituting part of the State Guard, are always on a war footing liable to be called into service at any moment. The revocation of Winslow's commission, it will be further argued was no dishonorable discharge, but was due to the fact that he was antigonistic to the Adjutant-General, and ings made him insubordinate.

WILSON NEWS.

A Wedding-Preparing for Increased Tobacco Trade.

WILSON, N. C., March 12 .- (Special.)-Last evening, at the residence of the bride. Miss Florence Taylor was united in marriage to Mr. Walter Sadler, both of this place. Rev. T. N. Ivey, paster of the Methodist church, performed the ceremony.
Wilson's tobacco trade will be greatly

nugmented for next season. Large pre-parations are already being made to meet the increased trade next full. Another large warehouse is one of the increased facilities for next season. Nearly 8,000.000 pounds of the weed have already been sold since the 1st of August, and the market is still active.

MR. CHANLER DENIES. He Is Not Thinking of Marriage nt All.

WELDON, N. C., March 12.-(Special.)-J. Armstrong Chanler was here to-day. He says there is no truth in the rum that he is to marry a cousin of Ame Rives (Princess Troubetzkoi); nor is thinking of marriage at all.

Aged Lady Burned to Death RALEIGH, N. C., March 12.—This morning, during the absence of the remainder of the family, Mrs. Fannie Ivey, 72 years of the family, Mrs. Familie Ivey, 12 years of age, was burned to death at the home of her son, Henry M. Ivey, general storskeeper of the Scaboard Air-Line, Her body was found by a grandchild on the hearth, so badly burned that she was unrecognizable. It is hought she was removing the blower from the grate and had an attack of vertigo, or was had an attack of vertigo, or

VENEZUELAN BLUE-BOOK.

The "St. James Gazette" Replies to "Chroniele's" Attack on It.

LONDON, March 12.—The St. James Gazette dissects the article published in the Dally Chronicle attacking the Venezuelan blue-book, and declares it to be a "tissue of perversions and mares' nests," and altogether a hasty attempt on the part of Radicals to discredit the British case.

In the course of its article the Gazette admits, however that the Chronicle

in the course of its article the Gaze admits, however that the Chrom proves that there have been cert loose, careless, and misleading transitions introduced into the blue-book, a gives as an instance the dispatch wh was sent home to the Centurion, in April, which, in effect, shows that Dutch did not hold anything on Cuyuni except a settlement at the mouti of that river where it joins the Esse

The Gazette's article concludes by saying that the compilers of the blue-book in the Foreign Office certainly owe the public an explanation.

sulting the managers of the Colonial and Bartelona banks, called a meeting of the Cabinet, which decided to secure a monthly subscription of \$5,000,000 for the purpose of prosecuting the war in Cuba, the government to pay 6 per cent, interest therefor. It is hoped by this plan to avoid credit operations abroad.

PROPOSED CUBAN RECOGNITION.

How a Member of Parilament Looks

At It. LONDON, March 12.-Mr. Walford Davis Green (Conservative), member of Parllament for Wedbury, has written an article, which is published in the Pail Mali Gazette, on the proposed recognition of the belligerent rights of the Cuban insurgents by the United States. The United States, he says, has always been on the side of people struggling for freedom, and Spain, he thinks, would make an error if she regarded the recognition of the belligerency of the Cubans as a hos-tile act. The people of Great Britain, he continues, will bear in mind the essential distinction between recognition of beilige-rency and recognition of independence.

ITALY'S AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

It Is in Future to Be on the Defensive.

ROME, March 12.-Advices received from Africa say King Menelek's army, advancing slowly, has now reached Entisco, midway between Adowa and Adi-Communication with Kassala is unbroken. Osman Digma is now at Galu Sit.

The Italia says it understands the govrhment will be reafter act strictly on the defensive in Africa.

It is learned that after the battle at Adowa only 17 per cent. of the Italian army answered to their names

LORD DUNRAVEN PRESIDES. No Allusion to His Expulsion from

New York Yacht Club. LONDON, March 12.-Lord Dunraven presided over a meeting of the Yacht Racing Association held to-day to decide upon the details of the new rating system. The expulsion of his Lordship from the New York Yacht Club was not alluded to, but it is understood that Dunraven has received formal notice of his expuision, and has acknowledged its re-celpt in a letter in which he wrote that he had already expressed his opinion in regard to his remaining a member of the New York Yacht Club in his letter of

ENGLISH OFFICERS AND SPAIN. Tender of Service in Case of War

With Us. LONDON, March 12.-In the House of Commons to-day, Hon. W. S. Broderick, Parliamentary Secretary for the War-Office, stated in reply to a question asked by Dr. Tanner, Nationalist member for Middle Cork, that the War-Office knew nothing of a report that English mili-tary officers had offered their services to Spain in the event of the occurrence of hostilities between that country and the United States. The penalties of such action, he added, would be enforced, in accordance with the foreign enlistment

UNCLE SAM'S "PRETENSIONS." France Would Like to Help End

Spain's Trials. PARIS, March 12.-The Eciair says that in view of the exaggerated pretensions of the United States, it appears difficult for European diplomats not to extend their good offices to Spain. In any case, the paper says, the people of France would be pleased to see everything done to end the trials of a sister nation.

Revolution at Stamboul,

PARIS, March 12.—The Figaro lishes an article dealing with the disturbances in Armenia, and the policy of blindness and inertia which prevails in the Yildiz palace, in which it says: "According to the latest intelligence, a revolution in the palace is imminent, the object of it being to compel recalcitrant members of the palace to adopt ideas of tolerance and progress."

Degrees for Women.

LONDON, March 12.—The senate of the University of Cambridge met to-day and decided that the members of the uni-versity should elect a committee to con-sider under what conditions women may be admitted to degrees.

New Chinese Loan. PEKING. March 12.—A contract has been signed with an Anglo-German syn-dicate for a new Chinese loan of f16,000. (00 at 5 per cent. The loan is to be is-sued at 54.

PARIS. March 12.—Italians desirous of escaping military of escaping military service are flocking into France by every railway train, and there is no diminution of their numbers.

DAMAGES AGAINST THE "WORLD." Five Thousand Dollars Awarded to

Harriet Monroe. NEW YORK, March 12-By a decision in the United States Circuit Court sion in the United States Circuit Court
of Appeals Harriet Monroe has been
awarded \$5,000 against the New York
World for unlawfully publishing a poem
written by the plaintiff to be delivered
on the occasion of the dedication of
the Columbian Exposition, or World's
Fair, in Chicago.

The case has been before the United
States Circuit court same time and

States Circhit Court some time, and judgment was rendered against the World on December 18, 1894. An appeal was taken, with the result here stated, Judges Wallace, Lacombe, and Shipman declaring that the World should pay damages demanded.

Duestrow Sentenced to Death. Duestrow Sentenced to Death.

UNION, MO., March 12.—Arthur Duestrow, the millionaire who killed his wife and 3-year-old son in St. Louis two years ago, was to-day sentenced by Judge Hirzel to die on April 22d. Duestrow was in court when the sentence was passed. He merely smiled as the Judge named the date for his execution, and, after lighting a cigarette, left the court-room in company with Sheriff Terry. He will be returned to the jail in St. Louis for safe-keeping.

LANCASTER, PA., March 12.—The large tobacco warehouse of C. Waiter Kendig was completely destroyed by fire this morning. Loss, \$25.00; covered by this morning. Loss, \$3,00; covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

HEALS

RUNNING SORES CURES THE SERPENT'S

CONTAGIOUS In all its stages completely eradicated by S.S.S. Obstinate sores and Cuban War-Fund Provision.

LONDON, March 12—A dispatch from Madrid to the Pall Mall Gazette says that Premier Canovas del Castillo, after con-Valuable treases and its treases

STING

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DOWN BY THE SEA.

A Verdict of Accident-Charter Granted-Reception.

NORFOLK, VA., March 12.-(Special.)-The jury of inquest in the case of the killing of the young man, Thomas Barnes, in Norfolk county, last Sunday, assembled again this afternoon at the office of High-Constable Hayes, and decided that the deceased came to his death by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of William Johnson. The sad affair occurred at the residence of Post-master W. F. Johnson, at Ocean View, about 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, while Mr. Johnson was in Norfolk. The two young men, Barnes and Johnson, were each about 19 years of age, and the best

CHARTER GRANTED. To-day Judge Hanckel chartered the Southern Land Company, with the fol-lowing officers: G. M. Serpel, president; J. W. Perry, vice-president; H. L. Page, secretary and treasurer; the above and Judge M. L. Eure, Captain E. H. Cun-ningham, C. W. Kellinger, and Robert directors. The minimum capiis \$6,000, and the maximum, \$10,000. The twentieth annual session of the Grand Conclave of the Order of Hepta-

sophs of Virginia will convene at G Bridge on the fourth Tuesday of present month.

A RECEPTION. A RECEPTION.

At the Young Mon's Christian Association to-night a reception was tendered by the members to the new Board of Directors. The affair, which included a hangdet, speech-making, and music, was largely attended, and thoroughly enjoyable. Mayor C. W. Pettit was toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by several of Norfolk Circuit Court was engaged to-day with the case of B. F. Walters was the Cottage Toll-Bridge Company, an action for \$5.000 damages. The plain-

vs. the Cottage Toll-Bridge Company, an action for \$5.600 damages. The plaintiff alleges the Toll-Bridge Company intercepted a natural ravine, causing an over-tiam J. W. Happer and Mr. H. L. Worthington represent the plaintiff, Mr. G. M. Dillard appearing for the defence.

A CURIOUS TURN.

In the Case of Ida Skeen-A Stabbing Affray.

Jury stood on the first ballot two for two
years in the penticulary, six for one year,
and four for acquittal, but compromised
on the above verdict.

DANVILLE, VA., March 12.- (Special.)-The case of the Commonwealth against Ida Skeen (colored), indicted as an acessory before the fact for murder, she having gotten the pistol for George Evans having gotten the pistol for George Evans with which he killed Deputy-Sheriff Cook, took a peculiar turn in the Corporation Court this afternoon before the sixteenth venireman could be obtained. Counsel for the prisoner raised the point that the veniremen should be questioned as to whether they had formed and expressed an opinion as to the guilt or innocence of George Evans, the murderer. The Court at first overruled the point. The Cort at first overruled the point, but after examining authorities decided it was admissible. The fifteen men were was admissible. The fifteen men were en questioned, and fourteen answered then questioned, and fourteen answered that they had both formed and expressed an opinion. All were immediately dis-charged, and it being found impossible to select a jury in Danville, the Sheriff was directed to summon a venire from Hali-

fax county. STABBED HIM. STABBED HIM.

Messrs, Randolph Mead and Robert
Neal had a difficulty yesterday, and today as Mead started to go into the postoffice Neal drew a knife and plunged it
into the head and arm of Mead, inflicting serious, but it is not thought fatal,
injuries. Mr. Mead received, as quickly
as possible, medical attention. Neal was
arrested and bailed for his appearance in
court.

RELEASED. Frank Irion, of Texas, a fugitive from justice, and who gave himself up to officers in this city yesterday, was re-leased to-day, the authorities of Houston telegraphing that they would not prose-

Most of the teachers of the white puble schools of Danville and Neapolis, veil as a number of teachers in the olleges and private schools, attended the ceture this afternoon by Rev. Dr. A. D. dayo, on "Some Things the People Ex-

Work of Hebos-A Taste of Snow-Personals.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., March 12—(Special.) — Despite the disagreeable weather last night, which kept people indoors, a gang of lawless individuals availed themselves of the opportunity to give vent to their hobo instinct. The gang visited many residences, dislodging bilinds, taking gates from the front-varies and doing other things that will yards, and doing other things that will land them in the lock-up when the efforts that are being made to locate them are

successful.

We got our share of the snow here last night, when, for the first time this winter, the ground was covered with the flakes. It has been bright but cold to-

A special from Orange Courthouse says that Mayor Houser, of that place, who has been an inmate of the Johns Hopkins institute, in Baltimore, for some weeks, telegraphed from there this morning requesting that his wife and children come to Ealtimore by the first train.

Mr. David, Western

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THE GORMAN TRIAL. A Compromise Verdict-William and

Mary Water Supply. WILLIAMSBURG, VA., March 12 .-(Special.)-The case of the Commonwealth vs. Alee, Gorman, for shooting Benjamin Washington, reported in to-day' Dispatch, was submitted to the jury last Dispatch, was submitted to the jury last this morning at peep o day. There is evening. A vertex was returned of as-not much chance of its thawing yet sault and battery, and a fine imposed awhile, for the thermometer is standing of \$50, which was paid in open court. The

Many witnesses were examined. Dr Wise, who attended the wounded man, was questioned by the Commonwealth's Attorney as to the character, nature, and extent of the wound, and declined to give his opinion, unless he was to be paid as an expert. The Court directed that he be paid. This case wound up the business at

this term, and court adjourned. AGAINST FIRE. Mr. Robert M. Hughes, of Norfolk, the chairman of the special committee of the College Board to arrange for connecting that institution with the hospital water that institution with the nospital water supply, has had made a complete survey of the route agreed upon for the pipes, which will be from the hospital, up Ireland street, direct to the college grounds, Permission will be asked the Council for the privilege of using this street. The pipes will be six-inch to the rouse holdings, with four-inch pipes to main buildings, with four-inch pipes to run to the rear of the buildings. There will be five double plugs on the grounds. As soon as the connection is made the ollege authorities will provide themselve with several numbered feet of hose. Every precaution will be taken against fire, as the buildings are large, and there are quite

Miss Susie Warburton, from King Wil liam, is making a visit to the family of Mr. Thomas L. Bloxton, at Russell's, Va. Judge and Mrs. William Smith, after a delightful visit here of several days, returned to their home, in Yorktown, this morning. It is more than probable that Judge Smith will locate here in the near

BLACKSTONE.

Death of Mrs. E. Frank Crowe-No. License. BLACKSTONE, VA., March 12.-(Spe-

cial.)-Mrs. E. Frank Crowe, who was stricken with paralysis yesterday, died this morning at 4 o'clock. She was not able to speak at all after being paralyzed, nor was she able to write her desires. The funeral will take place from the residence to-morrow evening, and the interment will be in Lake View Cemetery, Mrs. Crowe was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. was the only dadged of at. and at.
Anderson Scott, of Blackstone. She leaves
a husband and three children, who have
the sympathy of the entire community
in their great affiction. Mrs. Crowe had
only one brother, Mr. Hunter Scott, of
Lynchburg.

Lynchburg.
Your correspondent was in error yesterday when he stated that after May no liquor license will be issued here for less than \$500. I should have said that no license at all will be issued in the town or within a radius of three miles.

EXCITING CONTEST. The Democratic Primary at Char-

lottesville Yesterday.

A special from Orange Courthouse says that Mayor Houser, of that place, who has been an inmate of the Johns Hopkins institute, in Baltimore, for some weeks, telegraphed from there this morning requesting that his wife and children come to Ealtimore by the first train.

Mr. David Hutchinson, whose illness has been reported in the Dispatch, is somewhat better to-day.

Mrs. M. A. Downman, who has been visiting her son, Rev. J. Y. Downman, of All Saints church, in Richmond, returned home to-day.

Potomac herring have commenced to run, and our market was well supplied this morning. As yet, prices rule very high.

Interest CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 12—(Special.)—The Democratic primary held here to-day for the nomination of city officers was one of the most exciting that ever took place in Char ottesville. Interest centered in the choice for Mayor, the contestants being John S. Patton (neumbent) and J. Samuel McCue. The latter was nominated by St majority. The other nominees are Frank Gilmer, for Commonwealth's-Attorney; C. L. Fowler, for Commissioner of Revenue; C. W. Rogers, for Sergeant. Notwithstanding the excitement and some bitterness, the contest man and some bitterness, the contest man and some bitterness, the contest man some bitt

WARRENTON.

A Heavy Snow-Assignment-Personal Points. WARRENTON, VA., March 12 .- (Special.)-The deepest snow we have had this winter lies on the ground this morn-

ing. Snow fell furiously all day yes-terday, and was still falling in flurries

hoping that their wheat will be bene-fited. fited.

The home of the late Dr. McIhaney was purchased this week by Mr. A. Nusbaum, the ciothler here.

Messrs, Houchens & Co., tinners and

dealers in stoves, have made an assignment. Their liabilities are about Mr. Albert Cunningham and Miss Alice Dorel, of Culpeper, obtained a marriage-license here on Tuesday, and were mar-ried by the Rev. Walter Robertson, of

the Presbyterian church, Soveral applications have been made by strangers to rent summer homes here this season, and the town promises here this season, and the town promises to be full of visitors.

Senator William H. Stewart, of Nevada, will speak in the Town Hall of Warrenton on Monday, March 23d, on the subject of free silver.

Miss Amelia S. Payne has returned from a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Shriver, in Baltimore.

A Republican Conference. CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 12. CHARLOTTESVILLES, Conference of Re-Special.)—A private conference of Re-publican leaders was held here to-day for the purpose of discussing the ap-congressional campaign. No for the purpose of discussing the approaching congressional campaign. No definite action was taken, except that it was determined that vigitance should be exercised so as to decide whether it would be advisable to nominate a candidate from this district. It was also decided that it depended entirely upon who was the Democratic candidate from the Seventh District whether a candidate from the Republican party should be nominated.

Ashland Notes. ASHLAND, VA., March 12.—(Special.) At a meeting of W. B. Newton Camp, No. 51. Confederate Veterans, to-day Mrs. H. C. Scott was chosen to repre-sent the camp as assistant to Mrs. sent the camp as assistant to Mrs.

J. Taylor Ellyson, Vice-Regent of Virginia, in collecting war-relies for the Confederate Museum, at Richmond.

The vestry of St. James Episcopal church here has extended a call to the Rey, Mr. Spencer, of Patersburg.

Quick Eye of the Blue Runner. (New Orleans Times-Democrat.)
"Talk about quickness of vision,"

"Talk about quickness of vision," said the rounder yesterday, "I doubt if their is anything alive which has such remarkable eye-sight as an ordinary blue runner snake. You know that I am a pretty good shot with a rifle. Well, the other day I was roaming about the fields, when I saw a blue runner stretched out at the base of a small free. He saw me also, but did not move, although I could see his eyes glisten in the sunlight I raised the gun, drew a deliberate bead me also, but did not move, athough I could see his eyes glisten in the sunlight I raised the gun, drew a deliberate bead on his head, and fired. He was still there when the smoke cleared away, but I had not touched him. I fired again and again, and then grew tired. I realised that he saw the bullets and simply dodged them, and escaped. Just then a man came across the field, and I called him and asked him to attract the attention of the snake for a moment. The moment I observed that the runner had taken in the situation, and was not looking at me, I fired and killed him. Now to show you he had dodged the halls, I found every bullet that had left my gun in a space the size of a button just behind the place his place his head had occupied. Quick? Why a blue runner can see a streak of lightning before it pierces the clouds."

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pect of the Teachers." Rev. Mr. Spencer, of Petersburg. FREDERICKSBURG. Work of Hobos-A Taste of Snow-